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1. WE ARE ARRANGING APPROPRIATE MEETINGS WITH MIDDLE
EAST FTRCE COMMAND AND EMBASSY MORNING AND LUNCH TIME
NOVEMBER 2, OPERATING ON ASSUMPTION STAFFDEL WILL PROCEED
TO SAUDI ARABIA LATER THAT AFTERNOON. IN ABSENCE
SIGNIFICANT BAHRAINI INTEREST IN U.S. MILITARY EQUIP-
MENT, STAFFDEL VISIT HERE WILL FOCUS SOLELY ON
MIDDLE EAST FORCE ROLE AND OPERATIONS.

2. TENTATIVELY WE ARE PLANNING ON ARRIVAL CHIEF OF
NAVAL OPERATIONS FROM SAUDI ARABIA AGTERNOON
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NOVEMBER 2 FOR LATE AFTERNOOH AND EARLY EVENING

CALLS ON TOP GOB OFFICIALS. THIS VISIT WILL, OF
COURSE. PREEMPT TIME OF BOTH SENIOR OFFICERS MIDDLE
EAST FORCE AND EMBASSY, LEAVING STAFFDEK AT KOOSE
ENDS SHOULD IT RAMAIN IN BAHRAIN UNTIL NOVEMBER 3,
IN THESE CIRCUM TANCES, WE MUST PLEAD THE NECESSITY
TO SWAP VISITORS WITH SAUDI ARABIA ON THE AFTERNOON
OF NOVEMBER 2.
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